



## **Business Meeting Minutes April 19, 2001**

The meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. on January 19, 2001, at Hamilton County Courthouse and Judicial Center, Noblesville, IN. Those in attendance included the following:

Dan Pusey	Kent Park
Bruce Nielsen	Larry Stout
Dave Mockert	Jill Saligoe-Simmel
Paul Irwin (for John Hill)	Lorraine Write (for Irvin Goldblatt)
Lisa Gehlhausen	Val Swift (guest)
Becky McKinley	
David Glenn (for Mike Andrews)	
Eric Torok	

### **NO QUORUM WAS ACHIEVED**

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## **Introductions**

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## **Standards and Recommendations Committee**

Larry Stout, who heads the Standards and Recommendations Committee presented the recommendation for Metadata Standard. Concern was expressed over if the recommendation would change much in the foreseeable future. While it was agreed that while any IGIC recommendations may change over time, they should not occur very frequently. It was suggested that labeled revision dates be incorporated into all IGIC recommendations.

Those present agreed to request an E-mail vote for IGIC ratification. The preferred timeframe is to submit request by 4/20/01 and request responses by 5/01/01.

Larry presented the Committee standards status and plan to address development and adoption of Committee recommendations.

## **2001 GIS Seminar Series**

Seminar topics are being solicited from the IGIC on a continual basis. Suggestions today included:

- Importance/overview of GIS for high-level decision-makers
- PLSS and HARN network upgrades
- Repeat legal issues of spatial data access

Suggestions were made to incorporate this with other association activities were applicable.

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## **Concept Proposal for a Statewide Data Clearinghouse and Internet Mapping System**

Jill distributed and presented a concept proposal being developed at The Polis Center for a statewide GIS data clearinghouse and Internet mapping system. The primary features of the proposal are:

1. A phased approach to implementation to enable funding sources.
  2. A proposed governing structure of an Advisory Board that would sit within IGIC and additionally include Access Indiana, Intelenet, and other strategic interests. This concept has been presented to Laura Larimer (State CIO), Access Indiana, and Intelenet, and is being well received.
  3. This is a fluid/draft proposal to provide a starting point and is subject to the input of the Council.
  4. Phase 1 funding for a strategic assessment and design has been authorized by the Indiana Land Resources Council (proposal submitted by The Polis Center). Phase 2 funding is pending from the Indiana Department of Transportation for a “cornerstone” implementation.
  5. It was agreed that the IGIC Executive Committee would evaluate the proposal and make recommendations to the full Council at the next meeting. Please forward any comments to the Council ListServ.
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## **The Costs of Doing Business**

Jill presented the operational costs of IGIC. Annual operational cost are approximately \$100,000, plus approximately 1000 annual volunteer hours of IGIC members and Committee chairs. This budget was broken down into staff costs, newsletters, association dues (NSGIC), conference travel (NSGIC), and miscellaneous, and do not include indirect costs. The operating costs have remained relatively consistent over the last 2 years, with much of 1999/00 support coming indirectly from an FGDC grant (metadata project coordination) and in-kind from Watershed Research, and 2000/01 support exclusively by The Polis Center. The time frame for planning and development of solutions to IGIC’s support needs is relatively short – Polis is unable to be the sole funding source of the operational costs of IGIC.

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The conclusion of this presentation is that IGIC must aggressively pursue (and have a plan to pursue) support for the operational costs of the organization. Several ideas were generated as to how IGIC might meet our support needs.

The conclusion of the members present was as follows:

- The strategic planning group will address this under Objective #5 that was defined during the strategic planning retreat (#5 – that IGIC become a self-sustaining organization). A meeting will be set to occur before the next IGIC meeting.
  - An implication of this (and as was borne out by the strategic planning group) is that we must carefully consider our near and long-term organizational status (Larry and Eric will look into pro-bono legal council to examine the options)
  - An IGIC Meeting must occur before our next regularly scheduled quarterly meeting. May 18, 2001 1-4pm was recommended as a date at this same location. If needed, an additional date was set aside for June 15, 2001 9:30-12:30pm at this same location.
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**Next meeting set for Friday May 18, 2001 from 1 – 4 p.m. at Hamilton County Courthouse and Judicial Center, Noblesville, IN, pending feedback from IGIC ListServ that we will achieve a quorum.**